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IPC 7 A61K31/506

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## B. FIELDS SEARCHED

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## C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category °	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
A	EP 0 564 409 A (CIBA GEIGY AG) 6 October 1993 (1993-10-06) the whole document ---	1-7
A	WO 99 03854 A (NOVARTIS ERFIND VERWALT GMBH ; NOVARTIS AG (CH) ; BUERGER HANS MICHA) 28 January 1999 (1999-01-28) the whole document -----	1-7

 Further documents are listed in the continuation of box C. Patent family members are listed in annex.

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This International Search Report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1.  Claims Nos.: 8-10 because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:  
A method for treatment of the human or animal body by therapy, see Rule 39.1
2.  Claims Nos.: because they relate to parts of the International Application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful International Search can be carried out, specifically:
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The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.  
 No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

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